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ETHEL EVANS TO WED DAVID POTTER

Mr. and Mrs. Breitenbach Announce Engagement of Niece to Son of Prominent Schellville Family.

Mr. and Mrs. George Breitenbach announce the engagement of their niece, Miss Ethel Evans and David L. Potter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Potter of Schellville.

Miss Evans is the popular young school teacher of San Luis district, and a girl of charm and talent. She is a graduate of the Sonoma High School and the San Francisco Normal school and has been a very successful teacher. Carefully brought up by her aunt and uncle after the death of her mother, a sister of Mrs. Breitenbach, she grew to beautiful young womanhood here in the Valley of the Moon and after finishing her schooling, returned to teach in the district where she has endeared herself to children and parents.

David Potter is a young man of high ideals and ambitious. He is popular socially and has a fine personality which will help him win success. Born and educated in Sonoma Valley, he is keenly interested in the future upbuilding of this section.

The young people plan to marry sometime in the late spring or summer. Meanwhile they will be the recipients of much attention, many affairs already being planned in their honor.

VISITED HAWAIIAN ISLANDS

Mr. and Mrs. Arbogast, former Sonoma residents, have been enjoying a delightful trip to the Hawaiian Islands. Mr. Arbogast was sent to the Islands on business by the Matson Navigation Company.

The travelers visited all the points of interest including Hilo and they saw the active volcano, Kilauea, which they write, was a most inspiring sight.

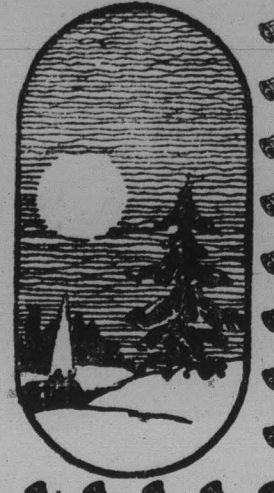
Mr. and Mrs. Arbogast will be home for Christmas.

Fred Batto has returned from Summit and reports the snow 12 feet deep and snow sports right at their prime.



Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

To All Our Friends and Readers



MERCANTILE TRUST CO. BUYS FIRST NATIONAL

Sonoma Bank to be Consolidated With Big Financial Concern Headed By John S. Drum.

Consolidation of the First National Bank of Sonoma with the Mercantile Trust Company of California, head office in San Francisco, has been approved and will become effective as soon as the necessary details can be worked out, Fred Batto, president of the First National Bank, announced today.

By the consolidation the First National Bank will become a unit in a pioneer institution with resources in excess of \$100,000,000 and with offices in San Jose, Berkeley and seven other San Francisco bay cities, as well as in New York and Chicago. The name will of necessity be changed.

The steady industrial, commercial and agricultural growth of Sonoma and the rich territory of which it is the center has created a demand for the enlarged banking facilities that will be afforded by this merger, Mr. Batto stated in announcing the consolidation.

All the varied types of specialized banking service provided by banks in the larger cities will now be available to meet the growing requirements of Sonoma and the surrounding country. Heretofore the home bank has had to limit its loans to a few thousand dollars, no matter how good the applicant's securities.

Customers of the First National (Continued on Page Five)

JOE RYAN HAD GUN BATTLE WITH THIEF

Fearless Deputy Sheriff Grappled With Thug and Deflected Bullets Aimed to Kill Him.

On Monday night about 9 o'clock Deputy Sheriff Joe Ryan had the closest call of being shot to death that he has ever had in his long experience as an officer, when an ex-convict whom he sought to arrest at Schellville drew a Colt's army revolver and shot three times at him.

The shooting was done at close range, Ryan grabbing the gun in the hand of the desperate man and deflecting bullets aimed at his heart and stomach. The battle with the murderous thug occurred in the darkness at the Northwestern Pacific freight depot at Schellville. Two men were seen to enter a box car and as the theft of freight was suspected, Frank McGill, of the N. W. P. sent a call for Ryan. When the deputy sheriff, accompanied by Z. Marcy and Harry Fine, arrived, one fellow came out of the car, but his pal became abusive and refused to come out as commanded by the officer, so Ryan and Harry Fine went into the car and covered him. He was searched for a weapon by Fine but none being found on him he was hurried out of the car onto the freight platform with Ryan just behind him. The keen-eyed deputy sheriff observed his prisoner fumbling for something and suddenly in the dark (Continued on Page Five)

YOUNG WIFE AND MOTHER PASSES

Sudden Death of Mrs. A. Maffei Casts Gloom On Community and Saddens Happy Home.

Mrs. Janette Hansen Maffei, the young wife of Annibale Maffei of the Broadway Meat Market, died very suddenly here Tuesday at the new home into which she had so recently moved and where she was suddenly stricken on Sunday. Her death, the result of an internal hemorrhage, was a shock to the entire community and leaves an irreconcilable void in the beautiful new home, a bereaved husband and two little children, motherless. Mrs. Maffei had been enjoying the best of health and was making preparations for a wonderful Christmas. Suddenly in the midst of her household duties on Sunday, she fell in a fainting spell and when Dr. Hays was summoned, he at once diagnosed the case as a very critical one and called two other physicians, Doctors Thomson and Temple in consultation. An immediate operation was decided upon and was successfully performed despite the low vitality of the sufferer. Shock, however, and loss of blood caused the young life to ebb very low and on Monday, it was decided to try blood transfusion, Dr. S. Burnell of San Francisco and a nurse being summoned at midnight for that hoped for panacea. A brother, Roy Hansen gave his blood to try and save his dying sister, but after temporarily rallying, the patient developed alarming symptoms, and at noon on Tuesday, passed to Eternity.

In the taking of Mrs. Maffei, Death has cast its shadow on one of the happiest homes in Sonoma Valley. The young wife and mother was beloved by husband and children, had a devoted mother, sisters, brother and a legion of friends. Popular with everyone because of her vivacious manner, and admired by all for her devotion to home and family, her death is indeed a sad one. Only recently Mr. Maffei built one of the handsomest bungalows in Sonoma and the family had just gotten settled in the new home which had been artistically furnished and was the pride and joy of the young wife.

"Ah, it is sad when one thus link'd departs,
When Death that mighty severer of true hearts
Sweeps through the halls so lately loud in mirth
And leaves pale sorrow weeping by the hearth."

The funeral took place Thursday and was largely attended. Magnificent floral offerings, including a large cross, pillows and other set pieces were evidence of the love and esteem in which Mrs. Maffei was held by all who knew her. The Native Daughters were among those who sent handsome floral designs. They marched in a body to the church and also escorted the remains of their loved member to the last resting place in Mountain cemetery.

The funeral procession extended from the Maffei home to the convent, where Rev. J. F. Byrne conducted the

CHRISTMAS SERVICES IN SONOMA CHURCHES

Christmas Trees and Services Usher In Glad Holiday. Catholic Masses At Union Hall.

Last night at the Congregational church, the Christmas feast was ushered in with the presentation of the cantata, The Messenger, which was finely presented under the direction of Mrs. W. W. Carter. There were solos, carols, recitations and prayer. Among the participants were Viola Rubke, Helen McIntosh, Virginia Lowell, Donald Kresge, Melba Van Dyne, Harriet Plackett, David McAuley.

On Sunday morning, Dec. 24th, Rev. Isaac Cookman will hold services at the Congregational church, special (Continued on Page Eight)

last sad rites and blessed the beautiful orchid colored casket with its wealth of flowers.

The pall bearers were Ralph Hotz, John Steiner, Jr., S. A. Robinson, Ray A. Gottenberg, Clem Cornelius and Rae Hunter.

Deceased was the daughter of Mrs. P. Hansen of El Verano, sister of Mrs. Victor Leveroni, Mrs. Joseph Keechler Jr., Miss Norma Hansen and Roy Hansen. She was 29 years of age. She was married to Mr. Maffei about seven years ago and three children were born of the union, one little son, Paul, preceding deceased to the Great Beyond. A daughter, Helen, five years of age and a baby boy, 15 months old, are left to miss the loving care of a beautiful young mother whom the angel of death has called to eternal rest.

CHRISTMAS SONG SERVICE AT MISSION

Choir of Twenty-Five Voices and Soloists to Give Program. Exercises Mark Formal Opening.

Tomorrow afternoon at 3 p. m., a massed choir of 25 voices under the direction of Mrs. Ralph Hotz will give a Christmas song service at Sonoma's old Mission, on Spain street.

There will be a processional, invocation by Rev. Crowe and benediction by Rev. Cookman. In addition to the choir numbers, Adele Fideles, H. Came Upon a Midnight Clear, and Hark, the Herald Angels Sing; two solos will be sung—Noel, by Mrs. Lulu Emparan, and Hail the King, by L. H. Day.

The exercises will mark the formal opening of the Sonoma Mission which some time ago was put in charge of a caretaker through the efforts of a local committee co-operating with the State of California, owner of the hallowed landmark.

The State Board of Control has been asked to include \$4000 in the next budget for the upkeep and improvement of this Mission. The budget calls for \$1800 as keeper's salary, \$400 for cement walks, \$100 for building of choir loft in chapel, \$80 for electric lights for chapel, \$300 for a porch floor, \$100 for water connections, sprinklers, etc.; \$300 for exhibit cases, \$100 for railing for same, \$300 for landscape gardening, \$300 for repairs, \$150 for lights and water, and \$100 for fuel.

The number of visitors registered at the Mission since its opening in July has been 2496.

ACCIDENT RAN IN FAMILY

Shortly after returning to Seattle from a trip to Sonoma Valley, it was the misfortune of Mrs. Russell Prestwood to lose the tips of three of her fingers in a machine at the candy manufacturing shop where she was employed. The week following, her husband, Russell Prestwood, dropped a weight on one of his fingers which had to be amputated at the first joint. The series of accidents so similar was heard with much regret here by friends and relatives of the newlyweds.

No. of Bank, 77

COMBINED REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE SONOMA VALLEY BANK

At Sonoma, Cal., as of the close of business on the 15 day of September, 1922

RESOURCES	Commercial	Savings	Combined
1. Loans and Discounts (including Rediscouts).....	\$283,614.99	\$458,950.92	\$741,665.91
2. Overdrafts.....	1,389.66		1,389.66
3. United States Securities Owned.....	19,754.86		19,754.86
4. All Other Bonds, Warrants and Securities (including Premium thereon, less all offsetting Bond Adjustment Accounts).....	159,865.95	442,912.91	602,778.86
5. Bank Premises, Furniture and Fixtures and Safe Deposit Vaults.....		15,000.00	15,000.00
6. Due from Other Banks.....	95,996.92	28,724.94	124,721.86
7. Actual Cash on Hand.....	46,899.45	34,234.62	81,134.07
TOTAL.....	606,414.83	978,923.26	1,585,338.09
LIABILITIES			
8. Capital Paid in.....	50,000.00	50,000.00	100,000.00
9. Surplus.....	35,000.00	40,000.00	75,000.00
10. All Undivided Profits (less Expenses, Interest and Taxes Paid).....	27,750.04	9,671.72	37,421.76
11. Dividends Unpaid.....	60.00		60.00
12. Individual Deposits Subject to Check.....	414,615.99		414,615.99
13. Savings Deposits.....		879,261.54	879,261.54
14. Demand Certificates of Deposit.....	820.50		820.50
15. Time Certificates of Deposit.....	53,094.90		53,094.90
16. State, County and Municipal Deposits.....	25,471.40		25,471.40
TOTAL.....	606,414.83	978,923.26	1,585,338.09

State of California, County of Sonoma, ss.
Frank M. Burris, President, and Jesse Burris, Secretary, of Sonoma Valley Bank, being duly sworn, each for himself, says he has a personal knowledge of the matters contained in the foregoing report of condition and that every allegation, statement, matter and thing therein contained, is true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

FRANK M. BURRIS, President.
JESSE BURRIS, Secretary.

Subscribed and sworn to before me by both deponents, the 15th day of September, 1922.

ROBERT A. POPPE,
Notary Public in and for said County of Sonoma, State of California

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R & R Plum Pudding.....35c
H & B Stuffed Olives, 15 oz. jar.....45c
Brazil Nuts, lb.....15c
New Crop Walnuts, lb.....35c
Cape Cod Cranberries, lb.....35c
Cream Chocolate Drops, lb.....35c
Extra Cream Mixed Candy, lb.....30c
Cream Almonds, lb.....35c
Xmas Broken Candy, lb.....30c
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Orange and Lemon Peels, lb.....35c
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The World and Its Women is one of those gigantic productions that startle the screen world only once in a while. Miss Farrar appears for the first time supported by her husband, Lon Tellegen.

Sunday Night, December 24th, Joseph M. Schenck Presents

NORMA TALMADGE in HER ONLY WAY

A popular revival of one of the best pictures in which this favorite star has ever appeared. Triple-barreled in its interest.

Monday Afternoon, Dec. 25th

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JACK PICKFORD in LITTLE SHEPHERD OF KINGDOM

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Don't miss this heart interest drama of Kentucky life and love.

EL VERANO NEWS

By ARCHIBALD McKIVER

Again 'tis the joyous Christmas time, And where'er you may be, in what'er land or clime,

To all of our readers, both far and near,

Archibald McKiver wishes best Christmas cheer.

E. Sobbe, N. W. P. conductor, was a visitor in town over Sunday.

George Weaver has been in Sacramento the past week visiting relatives.

Captain Muldowney and wife have departed for Alameda to spend the winter.

Mrs. N. Gallagher and son were guests at the McDevitt home over Sunday.

Bill Caulfield, Petaluma capitalist, and stockman, was a business visitor here Saturday.

Mrs. H. Dippin of Santa Rosa spent Sunday on her picturesque ranch near El Verano.

George Miel, El Verano's progressive poultry raiser, transacted business at the county seat last week.

H. Doktor, Schellville S. P. section foreman, is having a garage built for the housing of his new speed car.

John Angeles, skipper of one of Sonoma Valley's jitneys, has departed for San Diego to spend the winter.

Miss Lottie Howard, our popular school teacher, will spend the Christmas holidays with Sacramento friends.

M. J. Jasper and family have purchased a home in Sonoma Vista and have taken possession. They are formerly of San Francisco.

Claude Lombard and wife, Mrs. Matherson and family of Sacramento and J. J. Springer, motored to San Francisco Tuesday to spend the holidays.

Peter Boccali, famous Sonoma athlete, former baseball twirler and all around business man, was in town on Sunday wishing his many friends a merry Christmas.

Frank Thierkoff of Glen Ellen was in town Monday renewing old time acquaintances. All were glad to see Frank, who has changed little during the past 20 years.

Colonel Owens, the traveling sign painter, is in town, all dressed up like a young man. He has been in the Sacramento Valley and is here to spend the holidays.

Ex-Supervisor Weise and wife have been in San Francisco having been called as witnesses on the famous Bell case, now being fought in the San Francisco courts.

Jack Lucas, Santa Rosa's political drummer and tobacco dealer, was in town Monday morning, giving the boys here a line on the political situation at the county seat.

Emile Kruchwitz, well known San Franciscan and famous chef, is busy building a new hotel and summer resort near Boyes Springs bridge on the Sonoma Vista side. The new place will be ready the first of the year.

Jim Kearney, popular manager of the Kearney Lumber Company of Fetters Springs had the misfortune to run a nail in his foot last week while

working at the yard. The wound is very painful, but at this writing the energetic and accommodating young lumber merchant is again able to be around.

The Christmas dress of the Sonoma Index-Tribune last Saturday was neatly gotten up and read with interest. The management of this popular paper are to be congratulated on their work in getting out such a classy holiday edition.

Fred Brack, president of the El Verano bachelor club, returned from San Francisco Saturday, where he attended the famous play at the Curran Theatre, When Knighthood Was in Flower. He also transacted business while in the city.

A. Newman, the enterprising blacksmith at Schellville, will soon commence the building of a service station in this coming town. With the Black Point cut-off open, Sonoma Valley will be the visiting place of many tourists and the year 1923 looks like a prosperous one for the Valley of the Moon.

John Larson, sporting a sou'-wester with gun and rod, accompanied by Paul Verdier, a student of Isaac Walton, boarded the S. P. Rattler for Napa bridge Sunday, getting the limit of bass and ducks. Jack is an all-around sport and his love for fishing and hunting is making him famous throughout Sonoma Valley.

The winter tourists are making their yearling sight seeing trip through Sonoma Valley. Monday a dozen, in a Pullman, which proved to be an S. P. gravel car, passed through this burg. The tourists waved jauntily to the natives and seemed as happy as Rockefeller. The regular freight train was pulling our esteemed visitors.

Nothing has been heard or seen of Deputy Constable Rosenthal's flock of Christmas turkeys, recently stolen at Verano. This daring thief is not to be sneezed at, as any thief that can walk into the peace officer's backyard and get away with it is some bird himself. Rosenthal is one of Constable Jack Murray's live sleuths, whose terms expires Jan. 1st.

Roadmaster Joe Revie discovered in one of his cuiverts near the village barber shop a bucket, which had stopped the water flowing through last Saturday, forming a large lake. Al Weaver, the blacksmith, made a hook, and the nuisance was fished out. How the bucket gained entrance is unknown, as it just fitted snugly into the pipe. This is an occurrence seldom happening in the game of road over-seeing and our road boss is congratulating himself on not tearing up the terra cotta pipe line to discover the difficulty.

Joe Fields, who fought the best of men in the good old days, including such tough birds as Young Corbett and Spider Joe Welsh, and other great boys, will spend the holidays with friends of the old days in San Francisco. Joe says he is as good with the mitts even yet as some of the boys of today who claim they are boxers. During his stay in the city, Joe will call on Tim McGrath, who is now writing stories of the old time gladiators for the San Francisco Bulletin. Tim and Joe grew up together, attended school together and fought together some 20 years ago, and have seconded many great fighters to victory.

E. Wyatt, who six months ago felt the call of the wild, and left for a tour of the world, arrived in El Verano Sunday night. Our young friend had some wild times during his travels, getting aboard a cannibal ship, sailing to the frozen shores of Alaska, living on hard tack during the

entire cruise and being in daily fear of being eaten by the cannibal crew. Upon his return to the United States Enos went broke and after a hunger strike of four days, arrived in the old burg. Bad luck had pursued the young man on his adventurous trip, and upon his arrival here was occupying a reserved, sight seeing seat on top of the baggage car. Enos claims he is through with drifting around the country and is glad to be back in the Valley of the Moon once more. He says the worst experience of the entire trip was when a knight of the road stole his shoes at Sacramento.

PETALUMA HAS

A CHURCH FIRE

At one of the most spectacular and exciting fires this city has ever witnessed, St. John's Episcopal church at Fifth and C streets was on Sunday morning at 8:15 o'clock damaged to the extent of \$1000 to \$2000, all depending upon how badly the great pipe organ was affected by smoke and exposure and the little water that entered it.

The fire occurred during the morning services. The western wall of the sanctuary was burned away, a large hole was burned in the roof over the sanctuary, the basement was badly charred and considerable water entered the building, the rector's study being flooded and his library water-soaked and the contents of the room ruined. The choir stalls were badly damaged by fire and smoke and it is thought the entire interior of the church and fittings will have to be gone over and the church cannot be used until repairs are made.

The fire started in the furnace room in the basement directly beneath the sanctuary and there being no headers between the joists, it worked its way up the walls and broke out near the altar, where the pastor stood, before it was discovered. The furnace and pipes appear intact and it is thought that the fire was started from a vent in the smoke pipe, from which a live spark dropped on a pile of rubbish just below.—Petaluma Argus.

LET'S CELEBRATE

WITH SONOMA

Sonoma is already making ready to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the founding of the famous Mission San Francisco de Solano at Sonoma on July 4th, this being the centennial of the historic old mission.

Why not have every city and town in the county agree not to celebrate the Fourth next year, but give way to old Sonoma and celebrate with her and make it a memorable event?

Petaluma has her Egg Day, her Merchants' Fete and her fair; Santa Rosa her Rose Carnival and other events; Sebastopol her Apple Show if she decides to hold it; Cloverdale her Citrus Fair and Healdsburg her Water Carnival.

So why not make it unanimous next year and have the whole county agree to celebrate with Sonoma? With her great plaza and her numerous summer resorts and hotels in close proximity, she can accommodate vast crowds with comfort.

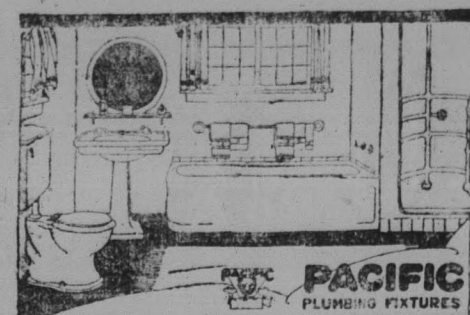
What does the rest of the county say? Each city could have a division of the parade.—Petaluma Argus.

BOYES SPRINGS ANSWERS

INEZ REED'S SUIT

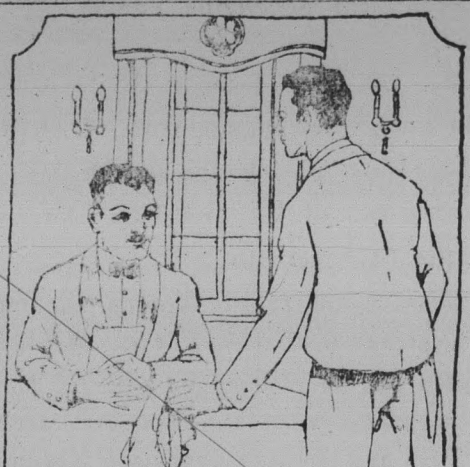
The Boyes Hot Springs has filed an answer to the suit of Inez Reed who seeks to recover \$20,000 damages as the result of alleged injuries the night of July 23, 1922, when she claims to have been permanently injured when crowded from a six-inch raise in the floor of the theatre at Boyes Hot Springs during a performance.

Thomas P. Boyd and J. R. Leppo, attorneys for the defendant, deny specifically the responsibility of the company, alleging that the theatre on the night in question was being conducted entirely by the Rev. Father Byrne. The latter, as pastor of the Sonoma Catholic church, was giving a benefit show. The answer also alleges that the plaintiff was fully aware of the raises in the floor of the theatre and denies that she was injured while taking ordinary precaution for her own safety.



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YULETIDE CUSTOMS

By Miss M. Chester

The following paper was read at the Sonoma Valley Woman's Club's Christmas afternoon last week by Miss M. Chester, of the Sonoma Grammar School faculty:

Christmas, or Yuletide, the most joyous of our holidays, has long been attended by customs beautiful and gay.

Our idea of Christmas is always intimately connected with the birth of Christ, but Yuletide was celebrated more than 2000 years previous to that event by the Aryans, who were sun worshippers. As the sun's power diminished day by day, these people feared that he would be overcome by some evil power and return to the upper world, to be seen by man no more. When, therefore, after many months, he turned about and grew stronger, they felt he had been born again. So it came about that at Yuletide, or "the turning," there was great rejoicing at the annual return of the sun. From this ancient belief many of our customs are derived, among them the use of holly, laurel and mistletoe, and the general merriment of the season.

When messengers came through the different countries bearing the tidings of a new religion and the birth of Christ, they endeavored to keep as many of the old customs as possible, but gave them a new character and meaning. The holly, laurel and mistletoe still served as decorations of the season, not as a shelter for the fairies, but as emblems of hope and joyousness—and the love of light and warmth was expressed in the lighted candles and glowing hearths.

No country has observed more heartily the Yuletide season than England. At the time of the Celts it was chiefly a religious celebration, but with the Saxons came the custom of feasting and indulging in revelry. In the sixteenth century the magnificence of the celebration reached its height and Christmas was kept with great jollity.

On Christmas eve the Yule log, the emblem of warmth and light, was brought in. It was of oak, if possible, and was rolled into place with song and merriment. Each member of the family, seated in turn upon the log, saluted it, hoping to receive good luck. It was considered lucky if a piece were left over with which to start next year's fire.

The boar's head held the place of honor at the Yuletide banquet. It was borne into the banquet hall on a large salver, preceded by trumpeters and followed by mummers. Each member of the household laid his hand upon the dish and swore to be faithful to his family and to fulfill all obligations as a man of honor.

Next in honor at the feast was the peacock. Before cooking, the skin, with the feathers, was carefully removed. When the bird was cooked it was put into its skin again and with head erect and tail outspread, was carried by some titled lady into the banquet hall.

The offering of gifts at Yule has been observed since pagan times. The sending of Christmas cards is said, originated with Sir Henry Cole, 1846. They were at that time about the size of a small visiting card.

If England has enjoyed the merriest Yuletide of the past, Germany enjoys the merriest of the present. It is the greatest occasion of the year. The German people adopted from the Far East and made their own, that wonderful thing, the Christmas tree.

St. Nicholas goes about in that country inquiring how the children have behaved and leaving gifts or birch rods, as the case may be. In some sections Knight Rupert takes the place of St. Nicholas in visiting the homes and Kriss Kringle has usurped St. Nicholas' place in other parts.

From palace to hut it is a season of peace, joy, rest and devotion. In many places old time miracle plays are enacted and the story of the Holy night retold. There are places in the Alps where it is believed that the cattle are blessed with the gift of speech on the holy eve, but as it is a great sin to listen, no one has ever told what has been said. In other sections it is believed that the Christ Child passes about the land, so tables are

spread and candles left burning, so the heavenly visitor may find food and light.

From the countries of the Scandinavian peninsula comes the custom of feeding the birds. Great bunches of oats are placed on the roofs and all animals are treated with great kindness.

Christmas in France is not as gay as one would expect, except in a few provinces. It is chiefly a religious observance and the greeting of the day is Noel, meaning "good news." In Italy, Christmas is a happy festival. In some provinces shepherds go from house, inquiring if Christmas is to be kept there. If so, they leave a wooden spoon to mark the place and on Christmas eve come to these homes singing sweet Christmas carols. Santa Claus in that country comes in the form of a woman upon a white horse, looking for the Christ Child. The legend is that she refused to accompany the three wise men on their journey, and has since searched in sorrow and atonement. To good children she brings gifts and to the naughty ones—charcoal.

We, of America, have borrowed and inherited customs from all lands. As one author says:

"Our Christmas carols appear to have come from the Holy Land itself; our Christmas tree from the far East by way of Germany; our Santa Claus from Holland; our stockings living in the chimney from France and Belgium; our Yule log, our Christmas cards and our verbal Christmas greetings, our plum pudding and our mince pies from England. Our turkey is seemingly our only contribution."

UTAH BUYS CHICKS FROM SONOMA COUNTY

Benjamin Brown and H. Metzger, representing the Utah State Poultry Association, visited California recently to place an order for 100,000 chicks. The first visit was made to Sonoma county, where M. W. Buster, assistant farm advisor, and E. R. Temperli, inspector for the Sonoma County Farm Bureau Accredited Hatcheries, showed them around the poultry districts of the county and explained to them thoroughly the organization and operation of the breeding projects being conducted in this county, particularly the Sonoma County Farm Bureau Accredited Hatchery project.

The result was that they placed the entire order with a number of the Sonoma County Farm Bureau Accredited Hatcheries instead of dividing the order with other poultry sections of the state as they had originally intended.

Sonoma Valley hatcheries have been making big shipments every year to the Middle West with fine success.

SANTA CLARA U JESUIT

PRIESTS TO PREACH

The different priests of the Jesuit order stationed at Santa Clara university will officiate Christmas day at Catholic churches outside of Santa Clara. Father Crowley will go to Richmond, Father Jerome S. Ricard to Tomales, Father Bell to Gilroy, Father Coghlan to the Precious Blood church in San Jose, Father Roland to Salinas, Father Ryan to Petaluma, Father Fox to Gonzales, Father Longergan to Sonoma, Father Hayes to Hayward, Father Deeney to Marysville, Father Brainard to Saratoga, Father Wood to the Notre Dame academy, Father M. Maher to the University chapel, Father Z. Maher to the Carmelite monastery, Father Gallagher to St. Claire's church and Father Sasia to Saint Mary's church in San Francisco.

SCHEDULE OF WINTER MASSES

Beginning Sunday, Dec. 24th, mass will be celebrated at Sonoma at 10:30 a. m. and at Glen Ellen at 9 a. m.
REV. J. F. BYRNE,
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Mr. and Mrs. Emmet Gottenberg, who arrived recently from New Orleans to again make their home in California, are in Sonoma spending the holidays with Mr. Gottenberg's folks. Emmet Gottenberg is now in the government service.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS, READERS

The Sonoma Index-Tribune extends Christmas greetings to its many readers in Sonoma Valley and wherever else the paper goes to chronicle the news and broadcast the fame of this beautiful locality of California. We hope that 1922 will end with abundant satisfaction to all our people and that what you have not accomplished this year will come to you with the new year.

At all times the Index-Tribune is willing and glad to aid in all worthy movements and to show our interest in individual and community effort. We would suggest that we all unite in a resolution to play the part of Santa Claus to the community during 1923, not one day but every day in the year, that our valley may grow and thrive through our efforts. The Index-Tribune has high hopes that some day Sonoma may have a real park instead of a neglected Plaza. Santa Claus can make us this gift if we will give him the backing that Santa Claus usually gets on other projects.

This is our Christmas wish for the community, along with general progress and prosperity to the entire Sonoma Valley.

Merry Christmas, reader. Enter into the spirit of this greatest of glad days and may your Christmas cup be brimful of happiness.

SOME FIRST CLASS MALE SHOULD GET IT

(From the Petaluma Argus)

Local aspirants for appointment to the position of postmaster are on the anxious seat these days. They were examined by the civil service commission months ago, but no report as to result of that examination has been received. There are four applicants and the selection for appointment must be made from among the three receiving the highest rating. Thus the examination will automatically eliminate one of the four. The situation is further complicated by the apparent inability of Senators Johnson and Shortridge to agree upon candidates for postmaster in many other cities, it being entirely possible that the local situation may add one more senatorial deadlock to the already long list. A similar situation exists at Santa Rosa where Postmaster Dunbar is sitting pretty as a hold-over. Won't the civil service commission please get a move on—this thing is getting on our nerves—as well as on the nerves of the aspirants.

WHERE ARE WE HEADED FOR?

(From the Pacific Manufacturer)

Dr. Gustave A. Virdgley, executive of the Gospel Plant, Los Angeles, otherwise known as the Wesleyan Presbyterian church, advises the public that the Lords Day Alliance, an interdenominational organization of ministers, plans to establish an "air tight" Sunday in California.

Summarizing his statement, this organization will close up everything on Sunday that is not absolutely essential to the maintenance of life.

First will come ordinary unnecessary work and second will come all forms of amusement, including motoring, theatres, movies and ball games. In winding up his statement after telling how he was going to close up everybody else, Virdgley says:

"I've the finest movie outfit in the city in my plant."

Hypocrisy with a big "H" is the best way to describe such a proposed program. Fanatics who foster such movements as this lack the brains or the ability to draw people to their churches and interest them in religious subjects. Therefore, they are going to try to force religion down their throats.

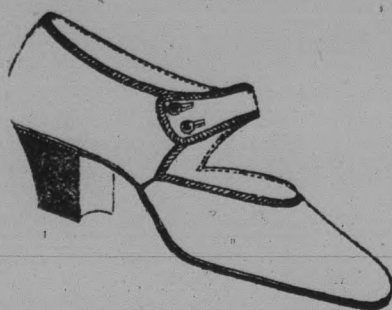
They will maintain a movie outfit in their own church to amuse their audience but will close up other moving picture or amusement establishments.

This is on a par with what has been done in Oregon enacting a law punishing with fine and imprisonment parents or guardians who send their children between 8 and 16 years of age to a private or sectarian school in or out of the state, and in Washington where it is proposed to make Bible reading in all schools compulsory. If the people of the United States have reached the point where they will allow any organization to tell them what they can see, read or think, the spirit of tolerance which was the one aim of the founders of this nation has indeed been lost.

Roy Wilmot who basked in the favor of the sanctimonious for some months as a prohibition officer, and had the backing of the morals squad head, Captain Layne and others of the "touch-me-not" type, has been unmasked and sentenced to the federal penitentiary. With him should go many others who are engaged in the same despicable practice of posing as disciples of law and order and agents of the government, while all the time betraying their trust and preying upon the recently created criminal class which prohibition has made easy targets for those more unscrupulous than themselves.

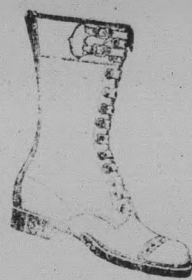
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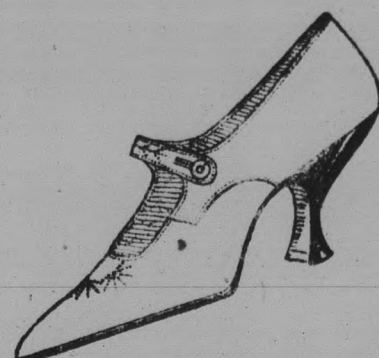
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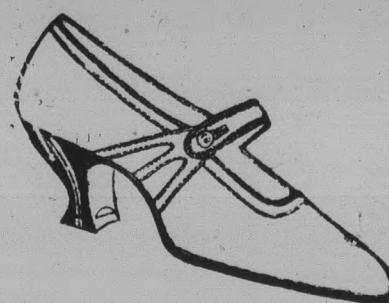
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The Christmas season is upon us, as also the beginning of a new year. Let us not only resolve to make this a matter of rejoicing but let us act, that peace will be promoted and good will made universal within our immediate sphere. Let us make real the greetings of the season that they become more than empty words and idle formulae.

As Native Sons of the Golden West it is well that we keep in mind the spirit of the pioneers; that spirit of good will to all men. This is the very essence of the doctrines of the Nazarene. It is the sum of Christianity. Under other doctrines it was an eye for an eye; it was unending warfare against the transgressor. The men of 19 lived their doctrine rather than preached it.

As Native Sons of the Golden West let us search out all those with whom we have had misunderstanding during the past; let us endeavor to show them good will and with them let us make peace, even though we may be wronged. If there be one brother with whom you are not at peace, I exhort you that you seek him out, take him to your heart and start the Christmas season with forgiveness and kindness.

As your Grand President I proclaim this to be a season wherein every virtue of our Order shall be given the fullest practice. Let friendship shine forth in glory; let loyalty be ever in mind and practice; and above all make charity the daily rule of life. Search out in your community all those whose circumstances are such that in our land of plenty they are in want. Particularly look out to see that the children in your locality shall know the merriment that goes with Christmas season. Ask not why, but let their want be your warrant to do for them. Remember that all you possess came from the hand of the bountiful Father who likewise created those less fortunate.

With wishes for the merriest Christmas and the happiest New Year I am,

Fraternally yours,
 HARRY G. WILLIAMS,
 Grand President.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Wilkerson (Pearl Manuel) of Alameda, were here Sunday visiting Mrs. Wilkerson's mother, Mrs. N. Manuel. Mrs. Wilkerson's only daughter, Miss Alta, talented singer, will shortly be married.

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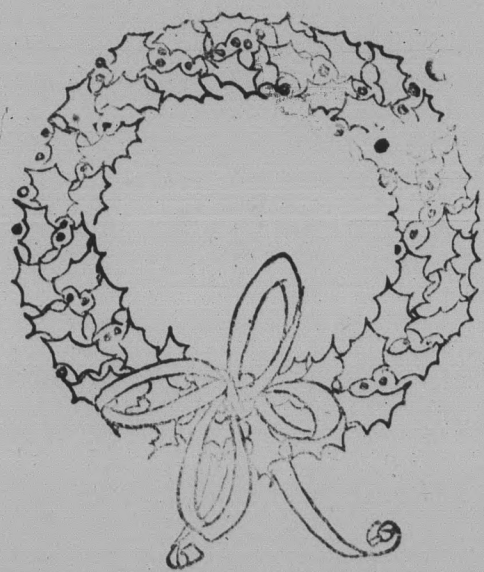
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JOE RYAN HAD GUN BATTLE WITH EX-CONVICT

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ness, detected the glint of steel, and realized almost instantly that the thug had a gun. Ryan made a leap for the gun and just as he grabbed the muzzle a bullet whizzed under his arm, tearing its way through his overcoat. As he grappled for the weapon, the murderous thief shot again, this time aiming for Ryan's stomach. The bullet passed through the leg of Ryan's trousers.

At this stage of the battle the plucky deputy sheriff got his prisoner down and was making ready to have him handcuffed when the thug grabbed Ryan's gun and fired one shot with that. The bullet went wild and the desperado, with his pal, were made to get into Ryan's car and were taken to the county jail at Santa Rosa.

When subsequently searched, it was discovered that Ryan's assailant, Davis, had concealed on him a holster which was strapped across his chest, the gun fitting under his armpit.

The prisoners gave the names of L. H. Blair and Fred Davis. They are both ex-convicts and had robbed a store at Penn Grove the day before the Schellville happening. Considerable of the Penn Grove loot was found on them and recovered by Ryan.

The deputy sheriff has had many thrilling encounters with desperate cranes and is doing nicely. The O'Brien men and has a record for many remarkable captures during his many

years of experience as a peace officer, but he freely admits that the experience at Schellville Monday night was his closest call to death. Had it not been for Joe Ryan's quick judgment, bravery and highly developed sense of detecting the move of desperate men even before they make it themselves, he would have been shot to death by this desperate ex-convict, who, having already done three stretches at the penitentiary, would have resorted to murder rather than again be taken.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED ON 21st BIRTHDAY

At a surprise birthday party at the Chas. Potter home at Schellville, given by the White Shell Club to David Potter on his twenty-first anniversary, the guests were treated to a delightful surprise when they repaired to the dining room and found cards at the table announcing the engagement of the young guest of honor and Miss Ethel Evans. Congratulations and a joyous time followed the happy news.

The surprisers admitted that the surprise was "on them" although David Potter and his popular fiancée, Miss Evans have been keeping company for some time.

A Christmas baby, Mary Elizabeth O'Brien, came to gladden the hearts of Mr. and Mrs. James F. O'Brien Wednesday. The baby was born at Cranes and is doing nicely. The O'Brien's recently purchased the former Munfey place near town.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

At the annual meeting of the Sonoma Ice and Brewing Company, the old board of directors was re-elected. A vacancy now exists on the board owing to the death of Joseph Felder.

Mr. and Mrs. Trudgen and family are to spend Christmas at Richmond with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Winston (Beth Trudgen) and children. The Winstons will have a big house party.

Mr. and Mrs. Erhardt Steiger have made some nice improvements at their Schellville home. They have had the interior and wood work painted and decorated by Muller & Downey.

Mrs. R. C. Bancroft has returned from Philadelphia and is glad to be back in California. The family went down to meet her in San Francisco on her arrival from the East.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Clewe will have a delightful family party over the Christmas holiday. They are expecting over 20 relatives on both sides to the Christmas dinner at their home.

Everett Sprague, son of Julie Gracie Sprague and Alameda high school student, was in Sonoma the first of the week installing a radio set for the Index-Tribune's editor.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Brusky have returned from Williams, where they were employed in the rice fields. Mrs. Brusky was in charge of one of the cook houses and proved very efficient.

Mrs. L. S. Simmons has been in San Francisco this week. She went down to attend the Pacific Club Cat Show and while in the city was taken with a mild attack of flu, which delayed her return home.

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The First National Bank of Sonoma was established in 1912. The directors and officers of the bank are Fred Batto, president; N. J. Heggie, vice president and cashier; Miss Amy Heggie, assistant cashier; Miss Emily Batto, bookkeeper and stenographer. Directors: Messrs Fred Batto, N. J. Heggie, L. H. Green, Henry Rubke and G. Proletti. The First National Bank has resources in excess of \$450,000. It was founded by Messrs. Batto, Heggie, Fred Bulotti, Joseph Felder and L. H. Green, local business men who sensed the need of the community for increased banking facilities. The success of the First National Bank for the past 10 years, the recent renewal of its charter for 99 years and the present transaction through which the Mercantile Trust Company takes it over attest the financial ability and foresight of the men behind it. Realizing changed conditions and the new trend toward branch banking, these men, with Sonoma Valley's development still in mind, have affiliated with the larger institution.

The Mercantile Trust Company of California, founded in 1887, as the Savings and Loan Society, was the first bank incorporated in California. The Savings and Loan Society and the San Francisco Savings Union were consolidated in 1910 and from that merger the Mercantile Trust Company of California has since developed. John S. Drum is president of the company, and its high place in the financial field is well known to everyone familiar with business conditions in California.

AGUA CALIENTE COUPLE

MARRIED LAST SUNDAY

Last Sunday morning at 7 o'clock at the parish house of St. Francis church, Rev. Father Byrne united in marriage Mrs. Anna Acquistapace and Paul Dolphini of Agua Caliente. The witnesses were Capt. Wm. O'Donnell and his wife, Martina O'Donnell. The bride wore a becoming brown satin dress, richly embroidered, in iridescent beads. Mrs. Acquistapace, now Mrs. Dolphini, has conducted the Depot Hotel at Caliente for many years and recently returned from a trip to Europe, where accompanied by her son James, she spent several months. During her absence, the hotel business here was successfully conducted by Mr. Dolphini who has been a resident of Sonoma Valley for a number of years and has a host of friends. He was in the army during the recent war and had an excellent record.

In honor of the wedding Sunday, a fine dinner was given at the Depot Hotel by Mr. and Mrs. Dolphini, salads, ravioli, turkey and many beautifully decorated cakes being partaken of by the fifty or more relatives and invited guests, including sister, brother and pieces of the bride. Capt. O'Donnell was toastmaster and there were relatives and guests present from San Francisco, Healdsburg, Santa Rosa, Kenwood and other places.

The wedding day being also the birthday of Jimmy Acquistapace, many of his young friends were present and enjoyed the feast and partook of a big birthday cake which vied with the wedding cake in beauty.

Mr. and Mrs. Dolphini and Jimmy were all heartily congratulated, the toastmaster paying high compliment to their hospitality and praising the beautiful valley of Sonoma and its good people.

Mrs. Lena Rosa of Healdsburg and Stella Barrachi prepared the fine dinner, after which there was dancing to a three piece orchestra and general good time throughout the afternoon. The newlyweds will make their home at Agua Caliente.

DIES AT OLD HOME IN ENGLAND

Word has reached here of the death of Mrs. W. K. Coleman near Bridlington, England. Mrs. Coleman and her husband made their home in Sonoma for some years and after the war sold out and returned to their old home in Yorkshire. Deceased was mother of Mrs. Cameron, now of Sunnyvale, California and leaves other children to mourn her besides the aged husband, a retired farmer of Westfield, England. She was a lady of charm and refinement and made many friends during her residence in Sonoma Valley who will regret to hear of her passing. Mrs. Coleman was 71 years of age.

NUFER GOT JUDGMENT AGAINST OTTO BRANDT

In the suit involving a claim of Dr. Tony Nuffer for \$50 for doctoring stock belonging to Otto Brandt judgment was rendered favorable to Nuffer when the case was heard by Judge Leo Justi on Wednesday.

Brandt alleged that the horse died as a result of treatment and that he was, therefore, not liable for the bill presented by the veterinarian.

The Rebekahs had a Christmas tree Thursday night. There was dancing, to the Schieck orchestra, and a fine program under the direction of Miss Edna Cooper.

WILL BE MARRIED NEW YEAR'S DAY

On New Year's day at Santa Rosa Rev. Father Long of St. Rose's church will unite in marriage Miss Lenora Regoni and Irving Brusky.

Miss Regoni is a niece of the Perazzos and for a long time was the popular cashier at Rosenberg's department store in Santa Rosa. She is a pretty girl of charming manner and met the fortunate young man who is to win her for his bride while in Sonoma at the wedding of her aunt now Mrs. Ben Brusky.

Irving Brusky, the groom-to-be, is an industrious and successful young business man of Sonoma and is being heartily congratulated upon his approaching wedding.

DIED AT AGE OF 106 YEARS

Mrs. Mary Rogers, born in Portugal in January, 1816, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. J. Silva, this week. The remarkable old lady had resided here with her daughter for the past 12 years.

AMERICAN LEGION'S NEW YEAR BALL

Valley of the Moon Post, American Legion, have completed arrangements for its grand New Year's ball, to be given at Union Hall on Saturday night Dec. 30th.

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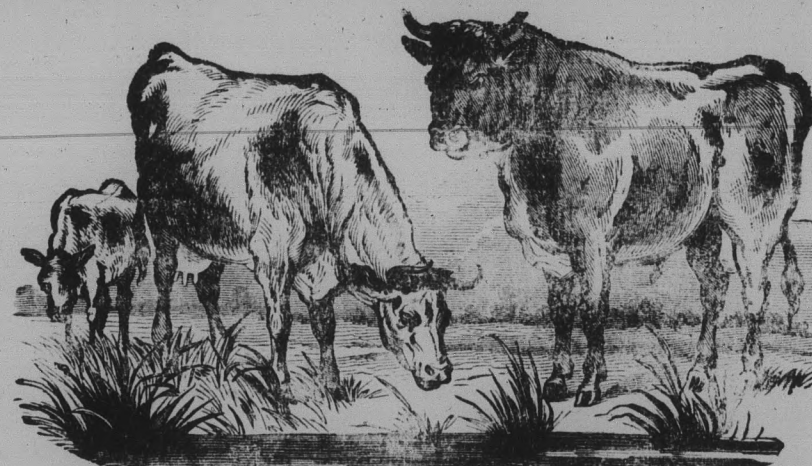
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SONOMA, CAL.

Mrs. Al Stein assisted by her mother, entertained Saturday evening last at a card party at her home in Santa Rosa.

Mrs. Dora Stofen, who was confined to her bed last week with a severe cold, is now able to be up and around.

CHRISTMAS MATINEE

FOR FLOWERY SCHOOL

There will be a benefit Christmas matinee for Flowery School at Fetters Springs theatre Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The famous film story The Little Shepherd of Kingdom Come will be the offering and great interest is being shown in the benefit. The children of Flowery School gave a very creditable Christmas entertainment at the school house last night.

IMPROVEMENTS OF

N. W. P. RAILROAD

A description and photographs of five mammoth locomotives recently received from the manufacturers, the Baldwin Locomotive Works, is one of the interesting features of the December number of the Northwestern Pacific Headlight. Two of these are passenger locomotives and three are for freight service. The former weigh 180,000 pounds each and the latter 197,000 pounds.

In the same number of the Headlight is described the interesting work that is being done at Core Madera creek near Greenbrae where the N. W. P. Company is replacing a single track trestle and drawbridge with double track structures. The new bridge is to be of the Bascule or rolling lift type which is the very last word in drawbridges. Seventeen hundred and fifty feet of trestle are being built for each track, or 3500 feet in all. A special type of pile driver had to be built in order to construct this bridge.

WELCOME, WESTERN

MAGAZINE

The Lariat of Portland, Ore., makes its bow as a literary monthly, the only publication of the kind west of New York, devoted exclusively to discussion and criticism of literary matters. Western writers will find it of great interest as voicing western standards of expression, when it is considered that the West has never produced a writer of the degenerate school, but all western fiction, poetry and dramas are clean and wholesome from the days of the pioneers in literature down to the present. The first number is for January, 1923, and has just been published. It is on fine paper and carries no advertisements of trashy books.

NOTICE

By order of the Board of Supervisors of Sonoma county, California, the undersigned hereby invites sealed bids for the lighting of the Valley of the Moon Lighting District of Sonoma County, California, said bids to be filed in the office of the County Clerk not later than 12 o'clock noon, January 10th, 1923, and opened at 1:30 p. m. of said day.

Said bids shall be:

First—For the installation and the maintenance of all equipment necessary to supply said lights as set forth on the map now on file in the Clerk's office;

Second—For supplying and maintaining 91 75 watt lamps and burning at night service, said rates for said service to be figured upon a monthly and yearly basis.

The successful bidder to be awarded a contract for a period of five years from the date of entering into such contract.

The successful bidder as herein contemplated will be the lowest responsible bidder.

The successful bidder shall give a bond of \$500.00 for the faithful performance of said contract and the Board of Supervisors hereby reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Dated this 14th day of December, 1922.

W. W. FELT, JR.
County Clerk.

Greetings

TO MY FRIENDS, NEIGHBORS AND PATRONS THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE STATE OF CALIFORNIA I EXTEND HEARTY GOOD WISHES FOR A

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DAILY, INCLUDING SUNDAY

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7:10 a 2:00 p	7:12 a 2:03 p	7:15 a 2:05 p	7:20 a 2:10 p	7:30 a 2:20 p	7:40 a 2:30 p	9:30 a 4:30 p

SUNDAY ONLY

7:00 a	7:02 a	7:05 a	7:10 a	7:20 a	7:30 a	9:50 a
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Cars and Trucks Overhauled

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A GIFT TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. WHY NOT?

Chief Cause of the Boyes Springs and Valley Fire Department makes a commendable plea for aid from Christmas givers for contributions toward paying for the big chemical engine. The fire engines have been the finest kind of gifts to Sonoma Valley and everyone who can should remember the department, as Chief Cause suggests.

RICHMOND & SAN RAFAEL

FERRY & TRANSPORTATION CO TIME TABLE

Winter Schedule Effective Dec. 4, 1922
Subject to Change Without Notice

Lv. Richmond	Lv. San Quentin
7:00 a. m.	7:45 a. m.
8:30 a. m.	9:15 a. m.
10:00 a. m.	10:45 a. m.
11:30 a. m.	12:15 p. m.
1:00 p. m.	1:45 p. m.
2:30 p. m.	3:15 p. m.
4:00 p. m.	4:45 p. m.
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Office Hours 10 to 12 and 1 to 4
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Leon Mouyer will spend Christmas with his father at the hospitable Mouyer home in Verano.

Duffy Lewis is back from the East, where he put through several large deals in baseball stars.

ENDORSE CARQUINEZ

BRIDGE PROJECT

Following is a statement of the action of the Board of Directors of the Santa Rosa Chamber of Commerce, Nov. 28, 1922, in regard to the several projects to bridge Carquinez Straits:

Having considered the locations of the several projected bridges across the Carquinez Straits, in their relation to the development of traffic between Central, Southern and Northern California, the Board of Directors of the Santa Rosa Chamber of Commerce at its meeting of Nov. 28, 1922, endorsed the projected bridge across Carquinez Straits from Morrow Cove in Solano county, to Valona, Contra Costa county, as proposed and planned by the Rodeo Ferry Company, for the following reasons:

First—This site eliminates the dangerous highway between Valona and Eckley, above Carquinez Straits, with its numerous curves, that present a real menace at all times, but particularly in foggy and wet weather.

Second—This site is more centrally located in relation to the large centers of population on the east shore of San Francisco bay: Oakland, Berkeley, Alameda, Richmond, and to the University of California.

Third—It furnishes a more direct route for traffic from South and Central California points into the great undeveloped northern parts of California, than any bridge located further east.

Fourth—This proposed site is shorter by 4.8 miles insofar as highway distances are concerned, between Santa Rosa and other North of Bay county points on the Redwood Highway and the centers of education, business and industry on the eastern shore of San Francisco bay and also as between the north of bay counties and Central California and Southern California points.

The Board of Directors of the Santa Rosa Chamber of Commerce on July 18, 1922, at the request of the San Francisco Transit Company, endorsed the bridging of the Carquinez Straits in general terms, as of importance and a necessity, in the development of the North of Bay counties of California, prior to the announcement of any other bridge plans over the Straits.

Notification is hereby given the San Francisco Transit Company and all others interested in the several bridge projects, that for the seasons above set forth any further interpretation of its action of July 18th as an endorsement of the San Francisco Transit Company's specific project is incorrect. The Santa Rosa Chamber of Commerce hereby withdraws the privilege of using the endorsement then given the idea of a bridge project in general, in the manner in which it is being used in printed matter, and correspondence, at present.

Further, the Board of Directors of the Santa Rosa Chamber of Commerce urges upon the Board of Supervisors of the County of Contra Costa at its meeting scheduled for Monday, Dec. 11th, to grant the franchise requested by the Rodeo Ferry Company for a bridge between Valona, and Morrow Cove, over the Straits of Carquinez.

Santa Rosa Chamber of Commerce, Frank P. Doyle, Pres.

CAPT. STARLEY TAKES POSITION IN ENGLAND

Word that Captain Starley, who formerly resided on the Kearns ranch near Kenwood when Peter Serck owned the property, is now head of the Serck Coffee Percolator Company in England, has been received by friends here.

The percolator is equipped with an alcohol burner, it is said, electricity being not so generally used in England as in America.

Starley left for England with Serck about a year ago.

Ruscini Brothers, who have been conducting a dairy ranch on the J. Dowdall ranch above El Verano, are planning to go into the dairy business on a larger scale in one of the southern counties.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wadsworth will have as their guests their daughter, Mrs. Anna King, and family of Alameda during the Christmas holidays.

FRUIT GROWERS

DISCUSSED PROBLEMS

California's fruit and vegetable transportation problem, which was so costly to the state during the 1922 shipping season was clarified to a large extent and steps were taken to meet it at the fifty-fifth California Fruit Growers' and Farmers' convention, just closed in Sacramento, said G. H. Hecke, state director of agriculture, in a statement issued in review of the convention.

The convention was the largest and most enthusiastic of its kind ever held in California, and aside from its discussion of scientific questions, took a long step forward in the solution of the vital transportation and the car problem.

One of the outstanding features, the director declared, was the development of the fact that on eastern railroads rested the burden of the collapse of fruit and vegetable transportation during 1922. Speakers at the convention, he continued, brought out that western railroads had done all within their power to move California's products and perishable freight. It was ascertained that some 9000 additional refrigerator cars will be built by western companies before the 1923 season which will give California approximately 48,000 of such cars.

The work of the California transportation committee was represented in a set of resolutions presented to and adopted by the convention. Salient points in these resolutions were:

Recommend permanent transportation committee of western states.

Recommend that responsibility for supplying adequate refrigerator car service remain with the carriers.

Recommend conference in Chicago next January between western transportation committee and heads of 25 railroads.

Recommend legislation to preclude strikes which would tie up transportation facilities.

Recommend elimination of last increase in freight and express rates on fruits, vegetables, dairy and poultry products.

Recommend that water transportation be fostered as a supplement to rail transportation.

Hecke reviewed the result of the convention in the following statement:

"Aside from the knowledge gleaned from the scientific discussion and from the fact that this was the largest and most enthusiastic convention of its kind ever held in California the fifty-fifth Fruit Growers' and Farmers' convention just closed, was notable for the fact that it clarified the transportation and car situation which have troubled California growers so greatly during the 1922 shipping season. Delegates who came to the convention firm in the conviction that they had been the victims of high-handed discrimination left with a realization of the fact that they suffered along with all sections of the country and that the collapse of transportation was the result of a combination of circumstances over which no one had control. Out of the mass and the California Transportation Committee developed the fact that western railroads were not wholly responsible for the shortage of refrigerator cars. It was ascertained that these cars accumulated in eastern railroad yards because of lack of motive power and docking facilities. But there is every reason to expect an improvement over conditions of 1922. It is inconceivable that coal and shop strikes and abundant crops in almost every section of the country should obtain at the same time again."

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FERRY COMPANY PAYS ITS FIRST DIVIDEND

Stockholders in the Golden Gate Ferry Company received checks Saturday for the dividend declared recently by the company. The payment was on the basis of \$2.90 per share.

The letter requests the stockholders not to worry over the talk of the Golden Gate bridge, stating that if the bridge is ever built, it will come many years hence.

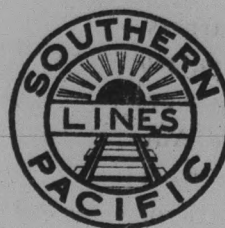
SPECIAL XMAS HOURS AT

POST OFFICE TONIGHT

In order to take care of the Christmas rush and give post office patrons an opportunity to get Christmas parcels and letters, the Sonoma post office will remain open tonight a half

hour after the arrival of the last incoming mail. If the train is on time the post office will remain open until 8:30 p. m. this evening.

Postmaster Wagon states that he will also have the office open Monday Christmas day, the usual holiday hours.



Christmas and New Year's Excursion Fares

Between all points where the one-way fare is \$30.00 or less, at

One and One-Half Fares for the Round Trip

Minimum Round Trip Fare, 50c

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Good Saturday and Sunday

Sold Daily

Return Limit Fifteen Days

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TRAINS LEAVE

Sundays: 7:25 a. m., 3:47 p. m.; Week Days: 8:12 a. m.; 4:42 p. m.

Northwestern Pacific

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

FOR SALE—Good family cow. Ap1 ply, C. Werner, Sonoma RFD, 307-219

CORN FED—Turkeys for sale, apply at Mission Store, Buena Vista. 19p

FOR SALE—Lease, 3 years, 160 acre dairy ranch, with or without equipment. 3 horses, 8 milch cows, 1 bull, 1 hog, 50 chickens, turkeys, 1 wagon, 1 cart, 1 Oliver plow, mowing machine, 1 set of new harness, several sets harness and collars, 160 ft. chicken wire, 10 tons oat hay, cream separator, dairy utensils. Any of the above for sale separate from lease. Located 1 1/2 miles north of El Verano. Address Box 59, Sonoma, Cal. RFD. —18-1t

FOR SALE—Thoroughbred Barred Rock cockerels and Pekin ducks. Apply G. W. Candelin, El Verano Favorite Place. Box 55, 18-20-p

FOR SALE—First class volunteer hay. Also Buff Orpington roosters. Mrs. M. Jakober, R. 2, box 306.

FOR SALE—Coal oil heaters, just like new. \$2.50 each; 2 seated survey, \$15.00; 1—1 H. P. electric motor new, deep well pump with brass cylinder, rods Jack etc. all complete \$75.00 Apply at Rosenthals Resort near Boyes Springs, Phone 50F5.

REWARD \$25—leading to arrest and conviction of party or parties who stole my turkeys. S. Rosenthal.

WANTED—Fresh cows or springers. Must be T. B. tested. Will pay top price for good ones. Apply to Geo. B. Carpenter Baxter tract. 15-18-p

INSURE—With an old line Company The Boston Insurance Co. W. L. Murphy, Agent.

FOR SALE—Two Duroc sows coming in about 22nd. Rudolph Spreckels stock. Call or write to P. Mc Donnell, Agua Caliente. 2t pd.

BARGAINS—In used cars. 1922 Buick 6 cyl. touring car new guarantee. \$1000.00; 1921 Franklin roadster excellent condition, \$1000.00; 1918 Buick touring car \$450.00. Buick Agency, Petaluma Cal. phone 49.

FOR SALE—DeLeval cream separator, No. 17; Capacity 900 lbs of milk per hour; Price \$35. Cost new, \$135. Apply to B. F. Keechler

BABY CHICKS—From superior laying strain, with record of 250 eggs and up, from our own flock. Also we hatch your own eggs. Orders booked now. Further information given by M. G. Pavlos, Sonoma, Calif. 6 mo.

FOR SALE—Beautiful home of 77 acres 60 acres in grain, 7 room modern house, porches, fireplaces, bath; plenty of water, on highway. Enquire at Monotti Grocery.

FOR SALE—Crochets, embroideries, fine assortment of guest towels and other articles of fancy work for Christmas. Also string of pearls. Mrs. Chase, next to the First National Bank. 16

FOR SALE—Bargain. Fox fur neck piece; also lady's bicycle, \$5. Call at this office. 17-2t

FOR SALE—Turkeys, geese and chickens. Tony Silva. 16-2tp

FOR SALE—Oat hay, \$18 per ton, not less than one ton delivered; one Fairbanks Morse 8 1-2 ft. windmill; one 5 h. p. gas engine. Call at the Schellville ranch or address A. H. Filippini, Route 2, Napa. Phone 2-F-2. 16-4tp

WANTED—Two good wood choppers, contract or by the cord. Apply to Frank C. Rhode, Napa Road 15th

LOST—Black Airdale dog, nine mos. old, answers to name of Spike. Return to R. W. Garrison and receive suitable reward. P. O. Box No. 3, Sonoma. 15-1t.

FOR SALE—10 acre poultry ranch in Sonoma Valley, going business, several hundred chickens, high class improvements, modern residence, some orchard, fine soil, plenty of water. Apply at this office. 8-

CERTIFIED BABY CHICKS from well bred stock will pay best. Will hatch from my 800 supervised late fall layers exclusively. D. Colli Accredited Hatchery. 8-1t

WELL DIGGING—and cleaning see A. Calafetti, Germany St. nr. High School or address Box 131 Sonoma.

WANTED—Top price paid for any kind of duck eggs. Apply Sonoma Mission Creamery. 254t

WILL BUY—worn out stock, horses, cows, etc. Pay top prices. Phone 666 yard one or address John Galbergia, Ex 8, W. D. A. Sonoma

FOR SALE—Fat chickens and ducks for the holidays, 25c per lb. Field & Payne, Boyes Springs. 18-1t

FOR SALE—Two oil heaters, \$2.50 each, good condition. H. D. Burmaster, El Verano. 18-1t

SONOMA STRAWBERRIES

RIPE IN DECEMBER

W. N. Parker of Agua Caliente Park brought some beautiful ripe strawberries to the Index-Tribune office on Thursday. The berries were grown by Mr. Parker on his place and have been bearing since early in the spring. The Agua Caliente Park resident intends to have Sonoma Valley strawberries for his Christmas dinner.

In addition to the fruit, Mr. Parker has some rare California flowers growing on his place at this season of the year, including deep purple iris of great beauty.

Sonoma Valley climate cannot be equalled anywhere and it is becoming more famous every day.

WON PRIZES IN

MISPELLING CONTEST

The following Sonoma Valley folks won prizes in the Petaluma misspelled advertising word contest put on by the Argus of that city:

Rev. S. E. Crowe, Mrs. George Lowell, Mrs. Muriel Ricks, Roy Pauli, Helen Long, S. Bosserman, John P. Serres, Miss Dorothy Lange, Henry Weber and Adeline Wirtz.

SONOMA BUSINESS

MEN'S ASSOCIATION

The Sonoma Business Men's Association had an interesting meeting Monday night. In addition to other business, a committee was appointed to look into the status of highway rights-of-way on the Schellville-Santa Rosa road. Messrs. Hotz, LaTorres and Murphy were named.

NEW BANKER HERE

Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Hollabaugh, formerly of Vallejo, have come to Sonoma to make their permanent home. Mr. Hollabaugh is the new secretary of the Sonoma Valley Branch of the Commercial and Savings Bank.

D. Stewart, who recently purchased the Ramelli ranch, was called to Petaluma this week on account of the death of his father.

NOTICE OF SELLING OF PERSONAL PROPERTY TO SATISFY LIEN

(Secs. 3051 — 3052, Civil Code)

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

You will please take notice that on or about the 15th, day of July, 1922, one John Doe Gillmore, (whose true name is unknown to me), brought to my Public Garage, known as the Bear Flag Garage, situated on the North side of Spain Street, City of Sonoma, County of Sonoma, State of California, a certain Maxwell Touring car, year model 1914, engine No. 26839, License No. 203110, with the request that I repair said automobile, furnishing the material and labor therefor.

On or about the 15th, day of August, 1922, the repairs on said Maxwell car having been fully completed, I made an effort to locate the owner of said car at his given address, in Vallejo, California, and inform him that the car was ready for delivery, but I was unable to locate him. That subsequently, on several occasions, I made diligent efforts, according to law, to locate the owner of said automobile, but without success.

Inasmuch as I am now lawfully in possession of such Maxwell Automobile, and have incurred expenses in and about the repair of said car, and for the care and safe-keeping of same in the sum of \$52.85, I hereby give due notice that I intend to sell the said Car on the 6th, day of January, 1923, at the hour of 10:30 a. m., to the highest bidder to satisfy said lien and costs of sale.

This notice is given pursuant to the Provisions of Secs. 3051 and 3052, of the Civil Code of the State of California.

BEAR FLAG GARAGE

Dated, 23rd. day of December, 1922.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

IN SONOMA CHURCHES

(Continued from Page One)

music being in preparation by the choir of 26 voices. Mr. Cookman will speak on "The Great Historical Events that Cluster Around Christmas Day for the Last Twelve Centuries."

M. E. Church

There will be Christmas services at the M. E. church tomorrow morning and union services tomorrow evening. At the morning service Rev. Henry Waltz will assist and there will be solos by Mrs. Shirley Weise and by Harold Waltz. Miss Irma Cliff will preside at the organ.

The evening program will be of especial interest because of the Christmas music and the good sermon in preparation by Rev. S. E. Crowe.

The M. E. Christmas tree exercises will be held Wednesday night, Dec. 29th, at 8 o'clock.

St. Francis Masses

Union Hall will be the place for the holding of the Christmas masses, beginning at 6:30 a. m., 7:30 and high mass at 11 o'clock. Rev. Father Lonergan, Jesuit priest from Santa Clara College, will deliver the sermon on the Nativity.

Confessions will be heard by the visiting priest at the convent Sunday afternoon from 3 to 6 o'clock, and at night from 7:30 to 10 o'clock.

NOTICE OF SALE OF SONOMA VALLEY BANK

To Central Commercial and Savings Bank

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the terms of an agreement of sale and purchase made and entered into on the 12th day of December, 1922, by and between the Sonoma Valley Bank, a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of California, having its principal place of business in the City of Sonoma, County of Sonoma, State of California, the selling bank, and the Central Commercial and Savings Bank, a corporation, organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of California, having its principal place of business in the City of Vallejo, County of Solano, State of California, the purchasing bank, wherein and whereby, and under the terms of said agreement said Sonoma Valley Bank, the selling bank, agreed to grant, bargain, sell, convey, confirm, assign, transfer and set over to the Central Commercial and Savings Bank, the purchasing bank, all of its assets of whatever kind and nature, and the said Central Commercial and Savings Bank, the purchasing bank, agreed to assume all of the liabilities, except those of its stockholders, of the Sonoma Valley Bank, selling bank;

Subject, however, to the right of every depositor of said Sonoma Valley Bank, selling bank, to withdraw his deposit in full on demand after such transfer, irrespective of the terms under which it was deposited with the selling bank;

Notice is hereby further given that the Honorable Jonathan S. Dodge, Superintendent of Banks of the State of California, approved said agreement of sale and purchase on the 16th day of December, 1922.

Notice is hereby further given that on the 16th day of December, 1922, the said Sonoma Valley Bank, selling bank, transferred all of its assets to said purchasing bank, the Central Commercial and Savings Bank, and the said purchasing bank, the Central Commercial and Savings Bank, has assumed all of its liabilities, except those of its stockholders, subject, however, to the right of every depositor of the Sonoma Valley Bank, the selling bank, to withdraw his deposit in full on demand.

SONOMA VALLEY BANK

By Frank M. Burris, President

(SEAL)

By Jesse Burris, Secretary

CENTRAL COMMERCIAL AND SAVINGS BANK

By L. G. Harrier, President

(SEAL)

By T. G. Hollabaugh, Secretary

America's Food and Medicine May Go for Naught if Russians Cannot Secure Clothing



"If Russia's children, and adults as well, are to be saved from death this winter from exposure after the charity of America has brought them through the famine of last winter, they must be supplied with clothing." This is a consensus of opinion of the American Relief Administration staff in Russia, from Colonel Haskell down to the inspectors, according to their reports to Herbert Hoover, head of the A. R. A.

From every part of Russia where the A. R. A. has been feeding children and adults, and has been instituting sanitation and medical service and inoculations to save literally millions of lives, the story is the same—that the children lack even the barest essentials of underwear, shoes, stockings or outer wear, with which to protect themselves against the rigors of the

Russian winter. And the need of aid in this direction for adults, too, is indicated by statements of recently returned workers, who state that in cases where Russian employees have been given a blanket for extra services the blankets have almost invariably been made into overcoats. Literally millions of children, say reports, have no shoes—an item which in itself may make it impossible for them to go to American Relief child-feeding kitchens. Free shoes and stockings have been provided for 250,000 children who are absolutely without footwear, but the whole problem is beyond the reach of any general funds now available.

The American Relief Administration, to meet this emergency, has put into effect a Clothing Remittance, functioning in every way as does the now world famous Hoover

Food Remittance. For twenty dollars sent to the A. R. A. at 43 Broadway, New York, the following articles, or their equivalent in value, will be delivered to any designated person in Russia: 4 2-3 yards fifty-six inch twenty ounce dark blue wool cloth; 4 yards of thirty-two inch black cotton lining; 3 yards of twenty-seven inch flannel; 16 yards of unbleached muslin; 3 large black ivory buttons; 16 small black ivory buttons; 2 spools No. 30 black cotton thread; 2 spools No. 40 white cotton thread.

One package will clothe one adult or two children all winter, and remittances ordered for general relief will be used for neediest cases, thousands of which are heart-breaking.

ORGANIZED A POSSE

When word of the gun battle between deputy sheriff Ryan and ex-convicts at Schellville reached here Monday night, a posse was immediately organized with the expectation that reinforcements might be needed to round up the bad men. Those who rushed to Schellville to offer aid to Ryan were Jap Valente, armed with a Colts revolver; Gus Marey, bristling with two big "gats" and belts of ammunition, and Lou Kearney, prominent El Verano lumber merchant, who in lieu of something better, seized a big Winchester deer rifle and joined the reserves. They came up too late to be of any assistance however, as Ryan had his prisoners part way to the jug already. Jap Valente declares however it is a standing army and crooks can well fight shy of Sonoma if they do not want to be drilled.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of Emma Feters, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, George Feters, administrator of the Estate of Emma Feters, deceased, to the creditors of, and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to file them with the necessary vouchers within ten months after the first publication of this notice, in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Sonoma, or to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers within ten months after the first publication of this notice to the said George Feters, Administrator, at the office of W. F. Cowan, Suites Nos. 7, 8, 9, 10, Dougherty-Shea Building, Corner Mendocino and Fifth Streets, Santa Rosa, California, the same being the place for the transaction of the business of said estate in the County of Sonoma, State of California.

George Feters, Administrator of the Estate of Emma Feters, Deceased.

Dated at Santa Rosa, November 10th, 1922.

First publication Dec. 2nd, 1922

SCHOOL CHILDREN

SOLD CHRISTMAS SEALS

The Grammar school children sold \$52 worth of Red Cross Christmas seals in the recent drive. These little seals make possible much good work in the effort to control and stamp out the dread tuberculosis.

Miss Angeline Marmor, popular young Sonoma girl, will spend the Christmas holidays with friends in San Francisco.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of Peter Henry Thompson, also known as Peter H. Thompson, deceased.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned executrix of the will and estate of Peter Henry Thompson, also known as Peter H. Thompson, deceased, to the creditors of, and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to file them with the necessary vouchers within ten months after the first publication of this notice, in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Sonoma, or to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers within ten months after the first publication of this notice to the said executrix at the law office of Robert A. Poppe, on the East side of the Plaza, in the City of Sonoma, County of Sonoma, State of California, the same being her place for the transaction of the business of said estate in the County of Sonoma, State of California.

Mae L. Thompson, Executrix of the will and estate of Peter Henry Thompson, also known as Peter H. Thompson, deceased.

Dated at Sonoma, Cal., December 16th, 1922.

Robert A. Poppe, Attorney for estate.

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The Family Christmas Tree



Christmas Gifts

ALL wrapped in tissue paper and tied with ribbons bright, hidden in my bureau drawer—the one that's locked up tight—Are Christmas gifts for all my folks, how surprised they'll be! 'Course they're only little things, I'm not quite eight, you see.

A handkerchief for Grandpa, I hemmed it every bit;
A bag for Grandma's worsted, you know she likes to knit;
Some armlets for my father, pink 'lastic, with a bow;
A crocheted mat for Mother with scalloped edge, you know.

Scrapbook filled with birds and beasts for little Brother Don;
Reins for Baby Eleanor with jingly bells sewed on;
They're wrapped in tissue paper and tied with ribbons bright,
Hidden in my bureau drawer—the one that's locked up tight.
—Elsa Gorham Baker in Successful Farming.



BY CHRISTOPHER G. HAZARD
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ONCE there was a boy named Peter Mephoboseth Onondaga Cologos Cadwalader. It was such a long name that he would get out of sight before his mother could finish calling him, so she shortened it into "Pete." "Oh, Pete," or "You, Pete."

At the right time of year Pete wanted a Christmas tree, so he went to the woods to get it. Selecting a mountain ash tree, he was about to cut it down, when a flock of starlings disputed with him, claiming it as their Christmas tree and all its bright berries as their own. Then he considered a nut tree, but the squirrels were furious and wanted to know where their Christmas would be if he took it. So the boy concluded that no one else would want the evergreen tree, with nothing on it but cones, and took that.

Reflecting, however, that his tree did not seem likely to have anything on it worth while, Peter remembered what an old wood-



man had once told him about a wild tree that had responded wonderfully to cultivation, and resolved to see what could be done in his own case. His mother smiled when he made his plan known, but offered no objection as her son set the tree up in a box, supplied it

with earth and enrichment and watered it from day to day. His frequent inspections did not much reward his hope; indeed, the tree seemed to be withering, and yet, on Christmas morning, there it was, all adorned and well supplied with gifts as beautiful as a barberry bush.

It was strange, however, that withal there did not seem to be much happiness among the branches. Indeed, before long, Peter seemed as dissatisfied and fretful as though his tree had borne him nothing more than its wild cones. His mother felt a good deal disappointed, for she had hoped that

so wonderful a surprise would be as happy a thing for him as it had been for her; but she could think of nothing better, so that the Christmas celebration began to seem like a failure. Mr. Cadwalader, however, had a suggestion to make. He said that he thought that the tree had not been cultivated enough, and that if Peter would invite some of his young friends in he thought they might get a good deal of pleasure out of things even yet.

When the little company had assembled and Mr. Cadwalader had distributed some packages that he had placed on the tree there was a merry time over the games that he knew how to play, and a wondering when he disappeared into the hallway, promising to come back all dressed up in a minute and take the three gifts off that were left on the tree and see what they were and who they were for.

They hardly knew the jolly man who came back, after a little, all in red, with white whiskers and paper snowflakes in his hair and on his coat, as though he had come in out of a snow storm. Little Dorothy Avery, the smallest of them all, jumped up and leaned on her crutch as she exclaimed: "I know him, he's a friend of mine," mistaking him for Santa Claus, but the older ones did not correct her mistake.

Whoever he was, he made them a little speech and wished them a merry day and began to take off the three remaining gifts.

In his speech he said that he felt sure that there must be a good deal of happiness on that tree, because God had planted it in the box, faith had watered it, affection had filled it with fruit, but, as they had not yet had the best things that cultivation could produce, he was now going to let them have them.

The first of the three gifts was a small box, all done up in tissue paper. When Dorothy had taken off the paper and undone the box there was another little box, and when she opened this box there was another little box in that, then there was another little box, then there was another little box, then there was another little box, and so it went on until, in the last box, she found a gold dollar. The second gift was a bayberry candle, with these words on a piece of paper:

Set me in the window some dark night,
Many will not see me, someone might.

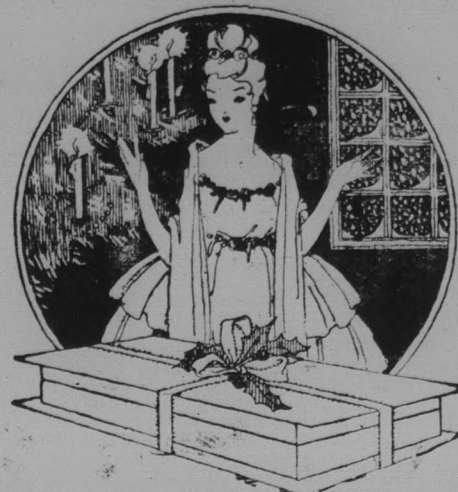
Madeline got this second present and seemed very glad of it. Then the third gift was taken down and presented to Peter. It was only a note, all done up in an envelope, but it helped him to see why the party had made him happier than he had been when he was all alone with his tree, for he could not only read the note, but also the sweet meaning when it said:

All trees are Christmas trees that bear
The care of love and love of care.
To cultivate a Christmas tree
Plant it in love and let it be.
Gold for misfortune it will keep,
Light in the darkness it will give,
Its truth will blossom while you sleep,
Its happy kindness while you live.

So Peter found out all that the old woodman had meant when he told him about cultivating trees.

Raisin Quick Candy.
One and one-half cupfuls sugar, ½ cupful chopped raisins, ½ cupful roasted almonds.

Heat the sugar in frying pan over a low fire, stirring constantly until it becomes a golden brown sirup. Remove from fire and quickly stir in raisins and nuts. Pour on inverted ungreased pans. As it is beginning to harden mark into squares.



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